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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation State of Louisiana Post Office Box 44275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

UL-1 Zone, Reservoir J, POINTE-A-LA-HACHE FIELD, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

BEPCO, L.P. (formerly Bass Enterprises Production Co.) ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the UL-1 Zone, Reservoir J, in the Pointe-A-La-Hache Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the UL-1 Zone, Reservoir J.
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the UL-1 Zone, Reservoir J, such unit being shown on the attached plat and being designated UL-1 RJ SUA.
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
 - 4. To designate an operator of, and unit well for, the proposed unit as may be appropriate.
- 5. To provide that all wells drilled in the future to the UL-1 Zone within or outside of the unit proposed herein be located in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
- 6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation may reclassify this reservoir by Supplemental Order and without the necessity of a public hearing should such a reclassification be warranted based on evidence furnished to the Commissioner.
- 7. To define the UL-1 Zone, Reservoir J, as the stratigraphic equivalent of that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the measured depths of 9,025 feet and 10,075 feet (8,782 feet and 9,527 feet TVD) in the Bass Enterprises Production Co. (formerly General American Oil Company)--M D Cosse et al No. 1 Well (formerly Gravolet No. 2 Well) (SN 159957), less and except therefrom the BF-7 Zone, Reservoir A, as defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 462-R, effective July 15, 2003, said well having a surface location in Section 8 and a bottomhole location in Section 13, Township 17 North, Range 14 East, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

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8. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 North Causeway Boulevard, Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

By letter dated January 17, 2006, Applicant gave notice, in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, of its intention to apply for a public hearing concerning these matters and a preapplication conference with respect to Applicant's proposals was tentatively scheduled for 11:00 o'clock a.m. on February 9, 2006, in New Orleans, Louisiana. Although a request for the pre-application conference was received, the request was subsequently withdrawn; therefore, the conference was not held.

Attached hereto is a plat outlining Applicant's proposed unit, along with a list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list is being forwarded only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. A copy of the list will be furnished by the undersigned to any party so requesting. A reasonable effort was made to obtain a complete list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing, and of the enclosed plat, at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Pointe-a-la-Hache Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, we enclose our check payable to the Commissioner of Conservation for the

application fee.

Yours very truly,

Attorney for BEPCO, L.P.

DLS:dp Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson (w/encl.)

Mr. Ross Sutton (w/encl.) Mr. Kevin Smith (w/encl.) Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encl.)

Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (w/plat only)

